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METHOD AND DISPLAY FOR

SELLING WINDOW COVERINGS

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Applicants inform the Examiner that they have a co-pending application directed to related subject matter which was filed April 6, 2004, and assigned Serial No. 10/918,504.

Applicants call the attention of the Examiner to the following prior art:

United States Patent No. 886,057 to Hockaday

United States Patent No. 1,045,372 to Cohen

United States Patent No. 2,795,059 to Mendelsohn

United States Patent No. 3,430,364 to Kirschbaum et al.

United States Patent No. 4,253,259 to Schaffer et al.

United States Patent No. 5,228,857 to Roland

United States Patent No. 5,370,024 to Lerner et al.

United States Patent No. 5,807,110 to Hytry et al.

United States Patent No. 5,855,480 to Housman

United States Patent No. 6,039,576 to Gabig et al.

United States Patent No. 6,068,139 to Brozak, Jr.

United States Patent No. 6,527,128 to Samaria

United States Design Patent Des. 278,954 to Bolyn United States Design Patent Des. 303,460 to Schouten United States Design Patent Des. 334,587 to Steinert United States Design Patent Des. 335,781 to Moncrief et al.

"Comfortex Retail Merchandising Displays," <u>Window Fashions</u>, April, 2004, p. 27.

The above patents are listed on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A. Only a copy of the Window Fashions advertisement is enclosed. The other references are United States patents which need not be filed in applications filed after June 30, 2003 (USPTO Notice dated 25 July 2003).

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